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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Wilhelm F. MAIER
Serial No. : 09/254,525
Filed : March 8, 1999
For : USE OF MICROPOROUS INORGANIC MEMBRANE CATALYSTS
Art Unit : ~~To Be Assigned~~ 1787
Examiner : ~~To Be Assigned~~ Handwritten: 1787/1788

March 17, 1999

Hon. Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 5 and 6 as follows:

5. (Once Amended) The process according to claim [1] 4, wherein said pore diameter is between 0.5 and 5 nm.